

FISCAL NOTE

HB 823 - SB 758

March 19, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires an individual applying for licensure as an audiologist, on or after January 1, 2008, to possess a doctoral degree.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures – Not Significant
Decrease State Revenues – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Currently, a master's degree is required for licensure as an audiologist.
- There will be fewer individuals applying for licensure as an audiologist based on the doctoral degree requirement. Such will result in a decrease in state expenditures and a decrease in state revenues to the Board of Communications Disorders and Sciences for processing fewer applications and receiving fewer fees.
- All health related boards, by statute, are self-supporting such that revenues equal expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director